

PIPELINE TASK FORCE
Thursday March 14, 2024
East Goshen Township Building
FINAL MINUTES

Members Present are highlighted

Chair: Gerry Sexton

Members: Judi DiFonzo, John McDonough, Mary McCloskey, David Shuey

Others Present are highlighted

Township Supervisor: Barbara Emery; Township Manager: Derek Davis;

Office Administrator: Ashley Nowak.

COMMON ACRONYMS:

<i>ACOE</i>	<i>Army Core of Engineers</i>
<i>BI&E</i>	<i>Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement</i>
<i>BOS</i>	<i>Board of Supervisors</i>
<i>CCATO</i>	<i>Chester County Association of Township Officials</i>
<i>CCPC</i>	<i>Chester County Planning Commission</i>
<i>DCNR</i>	<i>Department of Conservation and Natural Resources</i>
<i>DEP</i>	<i>Department of Environmental Protection</i>
<i>DES</i>	<i>Department of Emergency Services</i>
<i>EGT</i>	<i>East Goshen Township</i>
<i>ET</i>	<i>Energy Transfer</i>
<i>FEMA</i>	<i>Federal Emergency Management Agency</i>
<i>HDD</i>	<i>Horizontal Directional Drilling</i>
<i>IR</i>	<i>Inadvertent Return</i>
<i>ME1</i>	<i>Mariner East 1</i>
<i>ME2</i>	<i>Mariner East 2</i>
<i>NGL</i>	<i>Natural Gas Liquids</i>
<i>PHMSA</i>	<i>Pipeline Hazard Materials and Safety Administration</i>
<i>PMN</i>	<i>Post Meeting Note</i>
<i>PTF</i>	<i>Pipeline Task Force</i>
<i>PUC</i>	<i>Public Utility Commission</i>

Call to Order

Gerry called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Recording

The meeting was not being recorded.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the meeting on February 8, 2024 were unanimously approved.

Public Comment

None.

Chairperson's Report

Gerry welcomed new members Mary McCloskey and David Shuey to the PTF.

Gerry shared some information he found regarding research of accelerated carbon dioxide mineralization. This would significantly improve the effectiveness of carbon sequestration. This research needs to be properly funded.

Gerry also shared an article on the resurfacing of drilling fluid at Marsh Creek State Park, which was the site of an incident in August 2020. Inadvertent returns also occurred in East Goshen during Mariner East 2 construction so there is the possibility of residual drilling fluid still underground. Gerry recommended that the township be prepared if a similar situation occurs here in the future. EGT should obtain their own samples of the drilling fluid and have them tested by an independent laboratory. Ashley will check with Mark Miller (Director of Public Works) if EGT has sample containers. Gerry can provide guidance on appropriate testing.

Old Business

Carbon Dioxide Pipeline Draft Ordinance

The Board of Supervisors approved the Carbon Dioxide Pipeline Ordinance at their meeting on March 5, 2024. Ashley will check if it was sent to E-Code for publication.

David provided an interesting update on a recent MACH2 meeting that he attended.

2024 ABC Planning Session

Gerry presented the PTF 2023 Accomplishments and 2024 Goals. He reported that the meeting went well.

EGT Pipeline Incident Annex (Chester County Emergency Planning)

EGT previously submitted comments. The vendor (hired by the county to develop this annex) replied with an updated draft and asked for it to be reviewed. Ashley will follow up with Derek regarding a deadline for this review.

New Business

PTF article for next Township Newsletter

The PTF discussed the first draft of the article. Any additional comments are due to Gerry by 03/18/2024. He will finalize the wording and send the article to Jessica Wilhelmy before the deadline. [PMN: This was completed on 03/20/2024.]

PUC Docket No. L-2019-3010267 Final Form Rulemaking Order 22Feb2024

EGT submitted comments on a proposed version of this docket back in April 2022. The PTF will determine how many of these comments were incorporated into the final document. Members were assigned sections to review and will report their findings to Gerry by 04/04/2024. He will summarize these for review at the PTF meeting on 04/11/2024. The goal is to share the results with the BOS.

Reports / Legislative Update

None.

Liaison Reports

None.

Correspondence / Any Other Matter

Judi has been attending Chester Residents Concerned for Quality Living (CRQL) meetings. She reported that they have discussed air monitors. David has a contact and will talk with them about this topic.

Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2024 at 7:00pm.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Nowak, Office Administrator

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